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## **Man Pleads in Christmas Day Killing**

A 22-year-old man accused of stabbing his stepfather to death on Christmas pleaded guilty yesterday, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Rudy Flores of Los Angeles pleaded guilty Wednesday to one count of second-degree murder in case TA131365. The defendant also admitted to a special allegation of personally using a deadly weapon, a knife, in the commission of the crime.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge John J. Cheroske scheduled sentencing and restitution for Sept. 17 in Department D of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Compton Branch.

Under the terms of the negotiated plea, Flores is expected to be sentenced to 16 years to life in state prison, said Deputy District Attorney R.J. Dreiling.

The prosecutor said on Dec. 25, 2013, Flores had been arguing with his mother about a baseball bat she hid from him.

The mother refused to tell Flores where it was located and then entered her bedroom.

As she closed the bedroom door, Flores pushed his way in and stabbed his stepfather, Nery Ambrosio, 54, who was in the room.

After the attack, a family member called 911 and authorities arrested Flores in connection with the killing.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department.

**About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office**Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.